details thereof and what are the reasons foi the delay in their implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Mission Approach for Population Control

2012. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the population is the main cause of India's present socio-economic imbalance as reported in the 'Indian Express' of 28th April, 1990; and

(b) whether Government had received any suggestion from the Society for Citizens Concern, New Delhi dated the 3rd June, 1988 on the urgent need to have . a mission approach on this subject and if so, what arc the details thereof and what action has been taken thereon so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Increasing population obviously has an impact on socio-economic development of the country.

(b) A suggestion has been received from the Scoiety far Citizen Concerns, New Delhi, to have a technology mission approach to implement the family welfare programme. The need of having such a technology mission has been examined by Government from time to time. It has been decided not to have a technology mission but to monitor the programme closely.

Availability and Demand of Electricity per day in Kerala

2013. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRA-VATTON: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total availability and demand of electricity per day in Kerala;

(b) whether Central Government are aware that Government of Kerala is going to start new industries in private sector;

(c) whether the Central Government has been approached for more power by Government of Kerala; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Illegal mining in BCCL and CCL areas

2014. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that illegal mining is openly being carried out in BCCL and CCL areas;

(b) whether Government arc also aware that illegal mining is closely inter-wined with crime and mafiase in the areas; and

(c) if so, what are Government's plan to control such activities and by when?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S'. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (c) There is no organised illegal coal mining in the lease hold areas of Central Coalfields Limited and Bharat Coking Coal Limited. However, a few isolated cases have been reported in Bharat Coking Coal Limited where miscreants have cut and stolen coal from abandoned open cast mines, abandoned incline mine and outcrop region. Such cases have been reported to the Police by the Management.

The Coal Mines Nationalisation Acts were amended in 1976 making illegal coal mining a cognizable offence.